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SUBJECT:BILATERAL TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS

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1. PURPOSE OF US TEXTILE DELEGATION VISIT TO TAIPEI AS
FOLLOWS:

A. LAST SPRING AND AGAIN THIS FALL WHEN US AND ROC WERE
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NEGOTIATING NEW BILATERAL, ROC DEL PRESSED US VERY HARD THAT

KOREANS BE GIVEN NO MORE GENEROUS OR EQUITABLE TREATMENT THAN US GAVE ROC. BY THIS, ROC MEANT THAT PERCENTAGES AND QUALITATIVE PROVISIONS IN RELATIVE TERMS BE EQUITABLE. USDEL ASSURED ROC THAT IT WOULD NOT BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST VIS A VIS KOREA.

B. WHILE US AND ROC HAVE COME TO UNDERSTANDING ON TERMS NEW BILATERAL, US/KOREAN TALKS HAVE NOT YET BEEN CONCLUDED, SO WE DO NOT KNOW AS YET THE FINAL TERMS OF A NEW US/ROK BILATERAL. THUS, WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER THE US/ROC MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING MIGHT HAVE TO BE ADJUSTED SO THAT IT IS FULLY EQUITABLE WITH US/ROK MEMORANDUM WHICH WE HOPE TO CONCLUDE IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO VISITING TAIPEI.

C. IF OUR UNDERSTANDING WITH KOREA TURNS OUT TO BE NO MORE GENEROUS IN EQUITY TERMS THAN THE UNDERSTANDING ALREADY INITIALED WITH ROC, THEN JURICH WISHES TO PERSONALLY ASSURE APPROPRIATE ROC OFFICIALS OF JUST THAT. IF ON OTHER HAND, US HAS MADE CONCESSIONS TO ROK WHICH WE DID NOT MAKE TO ROC, THEN US WILL WANT TO MEET WITH ROC TO SEE HOW EXISTING MEMORANDUM CAN OR SHOULD BE ADJUSTED.

2. FYI SECOND PURPOSE VISIT IS TO DISCUSS, IF NECESSARY, WITH SHAO THE COTTON CONTRACT PROBLEM. WHILE WE HOPE PROBLEM MAY BE ON ROAD TO RESOLUTION BY ARRIVAL ON 9TH, IF IT IS NOT THEN JURICH AND SMITH WILL WANT TO TALK DIRECTLY WITH SHAO ABOUT THIS, AS SHAO TOLD US LAST SPRING (REPEATED BY WONG SEVERAL WEEKS AGO) THAT IT WAS Y.T. WONG AND HE WHO HERE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE MATTER AND THAT THEY WERE PREPARED TO ASSIST US IN ASSURING THAT CONTRACTS WOULD BE HONORED END FYI.

3. REGARDING PROPOSED VISITS TEXTILE PLANTS AND PLANS FOR TWO DAY SIGHTSEEING TRIP OF ISLAND (HEARD FROM ROC EMBASSY HERE), WHILE WE APPRECIATE ROC HOSPITALITY, IT APPEARS TIMING OF SCHEDULE WOULD NOT PERMIT. INGERSOLL

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